

Torrance, California.  
January 8th., 1935.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF TORRANCE

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a Regular Meeting in the City Hall, Torrance, California, on Tuesday January 8th., 1935.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Ludlow at 7:45 P.M.

City Clerk Bartlett called the roll. Those answering present were Councilmen: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow.  
Absent: Councilmen: None.

City Clerk Bartlett read the minutes of a special meeting of January 4th., 1935. Councilman Hitchcock moved the minutes of an Adjourned Regular Meeting of December 18th., 1934, minutes of an Adjourned Meeting of an Adjourned Regular Meeting of December 24th., 1934, and Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 26th., 1934,

be approved as written, and the minutes of a Special Meeting of January 4th., 1935, be approved as read. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A gentleman in the audience requested information as to license fee and police protection for conducting dances at the Woman's Club. After some discussion, Councilman Stanger moved request be granted and the license fee be paid quarterly. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

An application from A. Shriner, 2124 Arlington Avenue for position of meter reader and general repairman for the Torrance Municipal Water District No. 1 was read. Councilman Hitchcock moved this communication be filed. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A communication from Veteran's Co-operative Unit 244 submitting an itemized statement of expenditures of the \$37.50 appropriation for their Christmas party was read. Mayor Ludlow ordered this communication be placed on file.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication and contract form from the General Petroleum Corporation of California submitting a proposal to supply the City of Torrance with gasoline. Councilman Hitchcock moved the City Clerk be authorized to secure such a contract for the ensuing year. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

City Clerk Bartlett read communications from the Union Oil Company of California reporting that no permits to place pipe lines or conduits were issued and that no such pipe lines or conduits were constructed in the City of Torrance by said Union Oil Company of California under their certain franchise during the six month's period ending December 31, 1934, and also stating that Pan American Petroleum Company assigned to Union Oil Company a portion of the rights which it acquired by franchise and reporting that no permits to place pipe lines or conduits were issued and that no such pipe lines or conduits were constructed in the City of Torrance by said Union Oil Company of California, under said franchise, for the six months' period ending December 31, 1934. Mayor Ludlow ordered these communications be placed on file.

A communication from The Texas Company submitting returns of The Texas Company franchises in the amount of \$40.66 was read. Mayor Ludlow ordered this communication filed.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the General Petroleum Corporation of California acknowledging receipt of \$9000. for roadway easement.

City Clerk Bartlett read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 669

ACCEPTING EASEMENT FROM GENERAL PETROLEUM  
CORPORATION OF CALIFORNIA FOR ROADWAY PURPOSES.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Resolution No. 669 be adopted. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

City Clerk Bartlett read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 670

ACCEPTING GRANT DEED FROM CHANSLOR-CANFIELD  
MIDWAY OIL COMPANY OF 2.00 ACRES

Councilman Tolson moved that Resolution No. 670 be adopted. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

City Clerk Bartlett read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 671

ACCEPTING EASEMENTS FROM THE CHANSLOR-CANFIELD  
MIDWAY OIL COMPANY FOR A PRIVATE ROADWAY AND FOR  
INSTALLING, MAINTAINING AND OPERATING PIPE LINES.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Resolution No. 671 be adopted. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

A communication from Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Company requesting substantial monuments be placed at the corners of the 2-acre water site parcel was read. Councilman Hitchcock suggested this be referred to Engineer Leonard.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Auditors C.J. Rambo & Company relative to accounting system and procedure for Torrance Municipal Water District No. 1. Mayor Ludlow ordered the communication filed.

A communication from F.J. Nestor relative to a new water connection on Lot 53, Tract No. 9901 for \$40.00 was read. Engineer Leonard reported this service was made prior to December 24th., before the city took over the property. Mr. Nelson stated this service was put in for the protective use of the city and five days after the District was taken over by the city. Councilman Stanger moved the communication be referred to the Torrance Water, Light and Power Company. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mayor Ludlow stated action should be taken authorizing payment of membership dues in the League of California Municipalities. Councilman Stanger moved we authorize payment of \$75.00 yearly dues to the League of California Municipalities. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

At the request of Mayor Ludlow, Clerk Bartlett read a communication from City Planners with reference to P.W.A. Plans for financing projects. Councilman Klusman moved Engineer Leonard make a setup of projects for widening and paving Narbonne Avenue up to the city limits, and also include the improvement of Sepulveda Boulevard, Cabrillo Avenue and Plaza Del Amo back to the elementary school. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A communication relative to possibility of Sewage Salvage was also read.

Mayor Ludlow stated we want to clarify the question in regard to the managership of our water department and requested the Clerk to read a resolution appointing a manager. Clerk Bartlett then read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 672

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE APPOINTING THE CITY  
ENGINEER AS MANAGER OF THE WATER SYSTEM  
ON BEHALF OF THE ACT OF 1927 MUNICIPAL  
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE CITY  
OF TORRANCE.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Resolution No. 672 be adopted. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Ludlow brought up the matter of leasing suitable quarters for the Water Department, and Clerk Bartlett read in full Lease covering rent of building at 1526 Cravens Avenue. He also read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 673

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY  
OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF LEASE  
COVERING 1526 CRAVENS AVENUE, TORRANCE, FOR USE  
IN CONNECTION WITH MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEM

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Resolution No. 673 be adopted. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock stated that 2039 trees have been set out and we now need more money to plant trees along Cabrillo Avenue, Narbonne Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard. Councilman Hitchcock moved \$75.00 be appropriated for the trees. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock requested an appropriation be made to build stall sheds in the rear of the Fire House in Walteria to be used for the city teams. Councilman Hitchcock moved \$60.00 be appropriated for sheds. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Stanger read the yearly Police Department Report. Councilman Stanger also read a letter from Rev. O.D. Wonder commending an act of kindness performed by Officer George Dalton.

Councilman Stanger suggested the city extend the California Fire Chiefs' Association an invitation to hold their Convention in Torrance June 15th, the cost would be approximately \$600. The Chiefs' Association would pay half of this amount. The president of the Association is willing to extend his efforts to bring the Convention to Torrance. Councilman Klusman moved we invite the Convention here. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Engineer Leonard stated we are troubled with water at the Doheny Stone Drill Plant and below the Quandt Pumping Plant and believe by putting in a couple of dry wells we might relieve this situation. Councilman Klusman moved we put in two dry wells in the section. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

★ Mr. Arthur Taylor of Salisbury, Bradshaw and Taylor, consulting engineers for the Water District explained the setup of the Water System, with reference to the Government loan and grant.

Councilman Hitchcock moved all bills properly audited be paid. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Klusman moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mayor Ludlow declared the meeting adjourned at 10:37 P.M.

A. H. Bartlett  
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

J. R. Ludlow  
Mayor of the City of Torrance.